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DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY
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As the below named inventors, we hereby declare that:

Our residences, mailing addresses, and citizenship are as stated below next to our names.

We believe we are original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled MECHANICAL ATTACHMENT METHOD OF COVERED MATERIALS ON STENTS, the specification of which (check one)

☐ is attached hereto
☐ was filed on May 31, 2000 and assigned
Application Serial No. 09/583,263
and was amended on August 21, 2002 and February 4, 2003

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment(s) specifically referred to above.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Sec. 1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Sec. 119 (a)-(d) or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s)

<u>Number</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Foreign Filing Date</u> <u>MM/DD/YYYY</u>	<u>Priority Claimed</u>	
			<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
NONE				

We hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Sec. 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

<u>Provisional</u> <u>Appln. Serial No(s).</u>	<u>Filing Date</u> <u>MM/DD/YYYY</u>	<u>Status (patented, pending, abandoned)</u>
NONE		

We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

We hereby appoint the following attorneys to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

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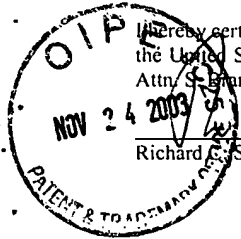
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : 09/583,263
Applicants : Chicheng Wang; Jacqueline Ghio
Filed : May 31, 2000
Title : MECHANICAL ATTACHMENT METHOD
OF COVERED MATERIALS ON STENT
Art Unit : 3731
Examiner : Julian W. Woo
Docket No.: : ACS 59046 (1873P)
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SUPPLEMENTAL PETITION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.183

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests that the Petition for Suspension of Rules pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.183 that was filed on September 23, 2003 be withdrawn and the \$130.00 petition fee be refunded to our Deposit Account No. 06-2425. The previous 37 C.F.R. § 1.183 Petition was filed because inventor Chicheng Wang was unavailable to execute an oath or declaration naming Chicheng Wang and Jacqueline Ghio as joint inventors, as required pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a)(3).

Subsequent to filing the 37 C.F.R. § 1.183 Petition, inventor Chicheng Wang was located. Applicant expects to file a petition meeting all the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a).

Applicant further respectfully requests that the file and the attached copy of the response to the August 13, 2003 Office action which was filed on October 15, 2003 be returned to the examiner.

Respectfully submitted,

FULWIDER PATTON LEE & UTECHT, LLP

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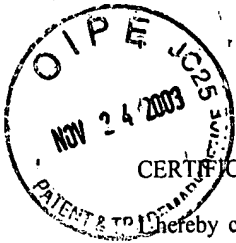
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Enclosure: Copy of Amendment in response to
August 13, 2003 Office action

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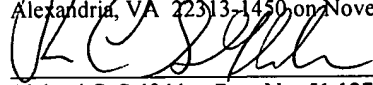


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Examiner: Julian W. Woo

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November 21, 2003

Title: MECHANICAL ATTACHMENT
METHOD OF COVERED MATERIALS
ON STENT

Los Angeles, California

PETITION TO CORRECT INVENTORSHIP
IN A PATENT APPLICATION PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.48(a)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 CFR §1.48(a), Applicant submits a Declaration and Power of Attorney signed by CHICHENG WANG. Joint inventor Chicheng Wang was previously unavailable to sign a Declaration and Power of Attorney, but has subsequently been located. A copy of the supplemental petition to withdraw the Petition for Suspension of rules previously filed pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.183 is enclosed.

It is believed that no fee is required at this time since the fee for the petition under 37 CFR 1.17(i) was previously paid. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any

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additional fees and credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-2425. A duplicate of this paper is attached for bookkeeping purposes.

An early favorable decision in this matter is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

FULWIDER PATTON LEE & UTECHT, LLP

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Enclosures.: Copy of Declaration and Power of Attorney
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